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A new confraternity was instituted in Spain, of the slaves of the blessed virgin, and this *sofality* established with large indulgences.

So'DDEN. [The participle passive of *softhe*.] Boiled; scalded.

Can *sofden* water, their barley broth,
Decoct their cold blood to such valiant heat? *Shaksp.*
Sofden business! there's a flew'd phrase indeed. *Shaksp.*
Thou *sofden*-witted lord; thou hast no more brain than I have in my elbows. *Shaksp.*

Try it with milk *sofden*, and with cream. *Bacon.*
Mix it with *sofden* wines and raisins. *Dryden.*

To *SO'DER.* *v. a.* [*so'der*, French; *so'deren*, Dutch. It is generally written *so'der*, from *so'dare*, Italian; *so'dare*, Latin.] To cement with some metallic matter.

He that smootheth with the hammer, encourageth him that smote the anvil, saying, it is ready for *so'dering*. *Isa.* xli.
SO'DER. *n. f.* Metallic cement.

Still the difficulty returns, how these hooks were made: what is it that fastens this *so'der*, and links these first principles of bodies into a chain? *Catler on Pride.*

SOE. *n. f.* [*soe*, Scottish.] A large wooden vessel with hoops, for holding water; a cowl.

A pump grown dry will yield no water; but pouring a little into it first, for one basin full you may fetch up as many *soe*-fills. *Mora.*

SOE'VER. *adv.* [*so* and *ever*.] A word properly joined with a pronoun or adverb, as *whoever*; *whatsoever*; *howsoever*.

What great thing *soe'ver* a man proposed to do in his life, he should think of achieving it by fifty. *Temple.*

What love *soe'ver* by an heir is shown,
Or you could ne'er suspect my loyal love. *Dryden.*

SO'FA. *n. f.* [I believe an eastern word.] A splendid seat covered with carpets.

The king leaped off from the *sofa* on which he sat, and cried out, 'tis my Abdallah! *Guardian.*

SOFT. *adj.* [*soft*, Saxon; *soft*, Dutch.]

1. Not hard.

Hard and *soft* are names we give things, only in relation to the constitutions of our own bodies; that being called hard, which will put us to pain sooner than change figure, by the pressure of any part of our bodies; and that *soft*, which changes the situation of its parts upon an easy touch. *Locke.*

Some bodies are hard, and some *soft*: the hardness is caused by the jejuneness of the spirits, which if a greater degree, make them not only hard, but fragile. *Bacon.*

Hot and cold were in one body fixt,
And *soft* with hard, and light with heavy mixt. *Dryden.*

2. Not rugged; not rough.

What went ye out for to see? a man clothed in *soft* raiment? behold, they that wear *soft* raiment are in kings houses *Matth.*

3. Ductile; not hard.

Spirits can either fix assume; *soft*
And uncompounded is their essence pure. *Milton.*

4. Facile; flexible; not resolute; yielding.

A few divines of *soft* and fervile tempers as disposed them to *soft* sudden acting and compliance. *K. Charles.*

One king is too *soft* and easy; another too fiery. *L'Estrange.*

5. Tender; timorous.

What he hath done famously, he did it to that end; tho' *soft* conscience men can be content to say, it was for his country. *Shaksp.*

However *soft* within themselves they are,
To you they will be valiant by despair. *Dryden.*

6. Mild; gentle; kind; not severe.

Would my heart were flint like Edward's;
Or Edward's *soft* and pitiful like mine. *Shaksp.*

Our torments may become as *soft* as now severe. *Milton.*

Yet *soft* his nature, though severe his lay,
His anger moral, and his wisdom gay. *Pope.*

7. Meek; civil; complaisant.

Thou art their soldier, and being bred in broils,
Hast not the *soft* way, which thou dost confess
Were fit for thee to use, as they to claim
In asking their good loves. *Shaksp.*

8. Placid; still; easy.

On her *soft* axle while she paces even,
She bears thee *soft* with the smooth air along. *Milton.*

9. Effeminate; viciously nice.

Of the high porch, Ulysses sleeps profound,
I here *soft*-extended, to the murmuring sound
Of the high porch, Ulysses sleeps profound. *Pope.*

10. Delicacy; elegantly tender.

Her form more *soft* and feminine
Lest winning *soft*, lest amatory mild. *Milton.*

11. Weak; simple.

The deceiver soon found this *soft* place of Adam's, and innocency itself did not secure him. *Gauche.*

12. Gentle; not loud; not rough.

Her voice was ever *soft*,
Gentle and low, an excellent thing in women. *Shaksp.*

13. Smooth; flowing.

The solemn nightingale tun'd her *soft* lays.
Soft were my numbers, who could take offence,
When smooth description held the place of music. *Pope.*

14. Not forcible; not violent.

Sleep falls with *soft* slumberous weight.
Sort. *interj.* Hold; stop; not to fast.

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1. To make *soft*; to make less hard.

Bodies, into which the water will enter, long scething will rather *soften* than indurate. *Bacon's Natural History.*

2. To make *soft*; to make less fierce or obdurate; to mollify.

Our friends see not our faults, or conceal them, or *soften* them by their representation. *Adams.*

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I would correct the harsh expressions of one party by *softening* and reconciling methods. *Watt.*

4. To make *soft*; to make less fierce or obdurate; to mollify.

Call round her tomb each object of desire,
Bid her be all that cheers or *softens* life,
The tender sister, daughter, friend, and wife. *Pope.*

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Musick can *soften* pain to ease,
And make despair and madness please. *Pope.*

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He bore his great commission in his look,
But sweetly temper'd awe, and *soften'd* all he spoke. *Dryd.*

7. To grow less hard.

Many bodies, that will hardly melt, will *soften*; as iron in the forge. *Bacon's Natural History.*

8. To grow less obdurate, cruel, or obdurate.

He may *soften* at the sight of the child;
The silence often of pure innocence
Persuades, when speaking fails. *Shaksp.*

9. To grow less obdurate, cruel, or obdurate.

1. Without hardness.

2. Not violently; not forcibly.

Solid bodies, if very *softly* percussed, give no sound; as when a man treadeth very *softly* upon boards. *Bacon.*

3. Not loudly.

Ahab rent his cloaths, and went *softly*. *1 Kings* xxi. 27.

4. Gently; placidly.

Death will dismiss me,
And lay me *softly* in my native dust,
To pay the forfeit of ill-manag'd trust. *Dryden.*

5. Mildly; tenderly.

The king must die;
Though pity *softly* plead within my soul,
Yet he must die, that I may make you great. *Dryden.*

6. To grow less obdurate, cruel, or obdurate.

1. That which makes *soft*.

2. One who palliates.

Those *softners*, and expellient-mongers, shake their heads
So strongly, that we can hear their pockets jingle. *So'ft.*

3. To grow less obdurate, cruel, or obdurate.

1. The quality of being *soft*.

2. Quality contrary to hardness.

Softness cometh by the greater quantity of spirits, which
ever induce yielding and cession; and by the more equal spread-
ing of the spirits. *Watt.*

3. Land; country.

Dorset, that with a fearful soul
Leads discontented steps in foreign *soil*,
Her spots thou see'st
Fruits in her *soften'd* *soil*. *Milton's Paradise Lost.*

4. The first cause of a kingdom's thriving is the fruitfulness
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life, not only for the inhabitants, but for exportation. *Swift.*

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ing of the tangible parts, which thereby are more sliding and following; as in gold. *Bacon's Natural History.*

3. Mildness; kindness.

A wife man, when there is a necessity of expressing any evil actions, should do it by a word that has a secondary idea of kindness or *softness*; or a word that carries in it rebuke and severity. *Watt's Logic.*

4. Civility; gentleness.

Improve these virtues, with a *softness* of manners, and a sweetness of conversation. *Dryden.*

5. Effeminacy; vicious delicacy.

So long as idleness is quite shut out from our lives, all the sins of wantonness, *softness*, and effeminacy are prevented; and there is but little room for temptation. *Taylor.*

6. Timorousness; pusillanimity.

This virtue could not proceed out of fear or *softness*; for he was valiant and active. *Bacon's Henry VII.*

7. Facility; gentleness; candour; easiness to be affected.

Such was the ancient simplicity and *softness* of spirit, which sometimes prevailed in the world, that they whose words were even as oracles amongst men, seem'd evermore loth to give sentence against any thing publicly received in the church of God. *Hooker.*

8. Mildness; meekness.

For contemplation he and valour form'd,
For *softness* the and sweet attractive grace. *Milton.*

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This fair alliance shall call home
To high promotions. *Shaksp.*

Unexpected stroke, worse than of death!
Must I thus leave thee, paradise! thus leave
Thee, native *soil*? these happy walks and shades;
Fit haunts of gods. *Milton.*

4. Dung; compost.

The haven has been stopp'd up by the great heaps of dirt that the sea has thrown into it; for all the *soil* on that side of Ravenna has been left there insensibly by the sea. *Adij.*

Improve land by manure, dung, and other sort of *soils*. *Mortimer's Husbandry.*

5. *SO'LINESS.* *n. f.* [from *soil*.] Stain; foulness.

Make proof of the incorporation of silver and tin, whether it yield no *soiliness* more than silver. *Bacon.*

6. *SO'LINESS.* *n. f.* [from *soil*.] Stain; pollution.

He merits well to have her,
Not making any scruple of her *soiliness*. *Shaksp.*

7. *SO'JOURN.* *v. n.* [*sojourner*, French; *sojournare*, Italian.] To dwell anywhere for a time; to live as not at home; to inhabit as not in a settled habitation. Almost out of use.

If, till the expiration of your month,
You will return and *sojourn* with my sister,
Dismissing half your train, come then to me. *Shaksp.*

Th' advantage of his absence took the kin;
And in the mean time *sojourn'd* at my father's. *Shaksp.*

How comes it he is to *sojourn* with you? how creeps acquaintance? *Shaksp.*

Here dwells he; though he *sojourn* every where
In progress, yet his standing house is here. *Donne.*

The *sojourning* of Israel, who dwelt in Egypt, was four hundred and thirty years. *Exod.* xii. 40.

The soldiers first assembled at Newcastle, and there *sojourn'd* three days. *Hayward.*

To *sojourn* in that land

He comes invited. *Milton's Paradise Lost.*

He who *sojourns* in a foreign country, refers what he sees abroad to the state of things at home. *Atterbury.*

8. *SO'JOURN.* *n. f.* [*sojourner*, French; from the verb.] A temporary residence; a casual and no settled habitation. This word was anciently accented on the last syllable: *Milton* accents it indifferently.

The princes, France and Burgundy,
Long in our court have made their am'rous *sojourn*. *Shaksp.*

Escap'd the Stygian pool, though long detain'd
In that obscure *sojourn*. *Milton's Paradise Lost.*

Scarce view'd the Galilean towns,
And once a-year Jerusalem, few days
Short *sojourn*. *Milton's Paradise Regain'd.*

9. *SO'JOURNER.* *n. f.* [from *sojourn*.] A temporary dweller.

We are strangers and *sojourners*, as were all our fathers: our days on earth are as a shadow. *1 Ch. on.* xxix. 16.

Waves o'erthrew
Busts, and his Memphian chivalry.
While with perfidious hatred they purfue'd
The *sojourners* of Goshen. *Milton's Paradise Lost.*

Not for a night, or quick revolving year,
Welcome an owner, not a *sojourner*. *Dryden.*

10. *SO'LAKE.* *v. n.* [*solacier*, old French;